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Applicant Initiated Interview Request Form

Application No.: 09/50x,125 First Named Applicant: Andrew
 Examiner: Eric B. Kirs Art Unit: 2122 Status of Application: Pending

Tentative Participants:

(1) Richard Fontana (2) John B. Conklin
 (3) _____ (4) _____

Proposed Date of Interview: 7/3/03 Proposed Time: 11 (AM/PM) Eastern

Type of Interview Requested:

(1) Telephonic (2) Personal (3) Video Conference

Exhibit To Be Shown or Demonstrated: YES

NO

If yes, provide brief description: _____

Issues To Be Discussed

Issues (Rej., Obj., etc)	Claims/ Fig. #s	Prior Art	Discussed	Agreed	Not Agreed
(1) <u>Obj.</u>	<u>105</u>	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Brief Description of Arguments to be Presented:

(1) (2) Clarity what is needed to put in compliance

(3) Propose cancellation of claims 6 + 25

(4) Will advise terminal disclaimer

An interview was conducted on the above-identified application on _____.

NOTE:

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Richard E. Fontana Reg. #
52,902

(Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature)

(Examiner/SPE Signature)

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(5) Rej. (112)	1-8, 19-21	_____	[]	[]	[]
(6) Rej. (102/103)	-C1. 1 -103-rej. claims	Meggison, Harold	[]	[]	[]
(3) _____	_____	_____	[]	[]	[]
(4) _____	_____	_____	[]	[]	[]

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(5) Amendments to overcome 112 rejections

(6) Cited references do not anticipate claims

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Attached is a draft of a possible amendment to claim 1 of the application.

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CLAIMS

We claim:

1. A method for developing *and customizing* an application program, wherein the application program includes a user interface, wherein at least one resource data file written in a markup language is used in specifying attributes of the user interface, the markup language to be interpreted in accordance with a schema, the application program using at least one resource file, the resource file including resource data in a markup language to be interpreted in accordance with a schema, wherein the resource data file may be modified by a user of the program, and wherein the resource data file does not explicitly specify all resource data needed in constructing the user interface, the method comprising the steps of:
 - parsing the resource data file;*
 - constructing a data tree wherein a node in the tree corresponds to an attribute tag in the resource data file;*
 - 20 *traversing the tree to determine whether an attribute tag node does not contain specific data needed in constructing the user interface; and*
 - identifying a first resource element data needed for the first resource element;*
 - identifying specified data for the first resource element in the resource file;*
 - 25 *and*
 - obtaining missing non-specified resource data, which is not explicitly specified for the first resource element in the resource file, from one of the a sources in the group consisting of:*
 - resource data contained in another node in the tree;*

resource data for an implementation of a second resource element,
resource data from a default style specification in the schema,
resource data from a parent element of the first resource element,
resource data specified by the application program, and
resource data specified *by the user* in programmable settings.

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 - traversing the tree to determine whether an attribute tag node does not contain specific data needed in constructing the user interface; and
 - 20 obtaining missing resource data from a source in the group consisting of:
 - resource data contained in another node in the tree,
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 - resource data specified by the application program, and
 - resource data specified by the user in programmable settings.